



UNIVERSITY of HAWAI'I
MĀNOA

Rheta Kuwahara
College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources
Family and Consumer Sciences
FTE Distribution: 100% I

Education

<u>Degree</u>	<u>University</u>	<u>Major</u>
MEd	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa	Masters of Education in Early Childhood Education
Professional Diploma	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa	Diploma of Education in Elementary
BS	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa	Bachelors of Education in Elementary Education, Minor in Language Arts

Professional Appointments

<u>Title</u>	<u>Employer</u>	<u>Dates Employed</u>
Instructor	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa CTHAR	2018-2020
Instructor	Honolulu Community College Early Childhood Education	2013-2018
Instructor	Honolulu Community College Professional and Career Education	2013-2018
Assistant Director of Early Childhood Education Graduate Program	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Education ECE Graduate Program	2012-2013
Pedagogical Coach & Curriculum Developer	University of Hawai'i at Mānoa College of Education Educational Psychology	2011-2012; 2008-2009

Courses Taught at University of Hawai'i at Mānoa

<u>Course ID</u>	<u>Name</u>
HDFS 331	Infancy & Early Childhood (3)
HDFS 332	Middle Childhood Development (3)
HDFS 341	Parenting (3)

State and University Awards

Ho'olaulima No Na Keiki Award: Circle of Honor
Good Beginnings Alliance

Nominated for Excellence in Teaching Award at University of Hawai'i at Mānoa and at Honolulu Community College

Publications

Refereed Journal Publications

Muccio, L. S., Kuwahara, R. F., Otsuji, J. Y. (2015/2016). 'Ohana math: Family engagement to encourage math learning at home. *Teaching Young Children*, 9(2), 10-13.

Practitioners Publications

Muccio, L. S., Kuwahara, R. H., & Otsuji, J. (2014). Infants Through Preschool. 'Ohana Math: Family Engagement to Promote Mathematical Learning for Hawai'i's Young Children. *Young Children*, 24 - 31.

Yamauchi, L. A., & Kuwahara, R. H. (2008). Joint Productive Activity: Collaboration that builds new understandings. *Young Children*, 63, 34-38.

Creative Works

Center for Research on Education, Diversity, and Excellence (CREDE) Hawai'i Project website (<https://manoa.hawaii.edu/coe/crede/>)

Human Development and Family Studies promotional and recruitment banners (including some photography)

CTAHR Notes articles on the Pause Space and Mindfulness

Leadership Roles

- Faculty Senate Instructional Committee 2021
- Faculty advisor for student organization, the Friends of the Family 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018

- Co-chair of the planning committee (peri-natal, neo-natal, and early learning sections) of the Children and Youth Day 2021, 2020, 2019, 2018, 2017
25,000 estimated attendees

- Hawaii Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Coalition 2021, 2020, 2019
- Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children. Executive Board Secretary



Grant Support

Title of Grant: Hawai'i Early Learning and Development Standards (HELDS)
Sources of Grant: Hawai'i P-3 Initiative of Hawai'i P-20 and the Executive Office on Early Learning
Total Dollar Value: \$7,000
Dates of Grant: 3/2013 - 6/2013
Role: CoPI

Presentations at Conferences

Title: English Challenges for Early Childhood Education Students
Authors: *Kuwahara, R.
Name of Conference: 2016 Career and Technical Education English Colloquium
Location: Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, Hawaii
Date of Presentation: 2016

Title: 'Ohana Math
Authors: *Kuwahara, R. & *Muccio, L.
Name of Conference: Hawai'i Baptist Early Childhood Conference
Location: Prince Hotel, Honolulu, Hawaii
Date of Presentation: 2013

Title: Talking Story to Help Children Learn
Authors: *Kuwahara, R.
Name of Conference: 5th Annual Hawai'i Island Early Childhood Conference
Location: Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa, Waikoloa, HI.
Date of Presentation: 2012

Title: Creating a Community of Learners in Your Classroom to Meet the Needs of All Young Children
Authors: *Yamauchi, L., *Kuwahara, R., & *Luninig, R.
Name of Conference: 5th Annual Hawai'i Island Early Childhood Conference
Location: Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa, Waikoloa, HI.
Date of Presentation: 2012



Title: A Journey With CREDE

Authors: *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Invited presenter for infant and preschool directors and settlement school administrators

Location: Hotel Hvide Falk. Ilulissat, Greenland

Date of Presentation: 2008

Title: One Teacher, One Classroom, Diverse Children: How to Meet the Needs of All?

Authors: *Schonleber, N., Kuwahara, R. & *Yamauchi, L.

Name of Conference: Annual National Conference of the National Association for the Education of Young Children

Location: Anaheim Convention Center. Anaheim, CA

Date of Presentation: 2010

Title: Scouting the Unknown Land- Kindergarten: Guiding Families on the Journey From Preschool to Elementary School

Authors: *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Annual Early Childhood Conference of the Maui Chapter, Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children

Location: Kamehameha Maui Campus High School. Kahului, HI.

Date of Presentation: 2010

Title: The Excellence Within

Authors: *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Annual Early Childhood Conference of the Maui Chapter, Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children

Location: Kamehameha Maui Campus High School. Kahului, HI

Date of Presentation: 2010

Title: Approaches to Effective Pedagogy Coaching In Diverse Settings: Challenges and Opportunities

Authors: *Teemant, A., *Motzfeldt, K., *Tyra, S., *Vogt, L., *Kuwahara, R. Name

of Conference: Center for Research on Education, Diversity, and Excellence Conference

Location: San Francisco, CA.

Date of Presentation: 2009



Title: Scouting the Unknown Land- Kindergarten: Guiding Families on the Journey
From Preschool to Elementary School.

Authors: * Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: 1st Annual Hawai'i Island Early Childhood Conference

Location: Waikoloa Beach Marriott Resort & Spa. Waikoloa, HI.

Date of Presentation: 2008

Title: CREDE Standard 7: Child Directed Activity

Authors: *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Invited Presenter

Location: Hotel Hvide Falk. Ilulissat, Greenland

Date of Presentation: 2008

Title: Nurturing Successful Teachers With CREDE

Authors: *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Invited presenter to the Greenland Department of Education
Reformation Committee

Location: Hotel Hvide Falk. Ilulissat, Greenland

Date of Presentation: 2008

Title: Don't Rock the Boat, Hoist the Sail: Implementing Change With the Support of
Staff and Families

Authors: *Powers, J. & *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Annual National Early Childhood Conference

Location: Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington D.C.

Date of Presentation: 2005

Title: Natural Wonders: Teaching Children and Appreciation of the Natural World

Authors: *Powers, J. & *Kuwahara, R.

Name of Conference: Hawai'i Association for the Education of Young Children

Location: The Nature Center Honolulu, HI

Date of Presentation: 2004

Title: Presented annually on a variety of topics concerning early childhood education,
teaching, guidance, and curriculum

Authors: *Kuwahara, R. et al

Name of Conference: Honolulu Community College Annual Early Childhood Education
Conference

Location: Honolulu Community College, Honolulu, Hawaii

Date of Presentation: 2013, 2014, 2015, 2015, 2016, 2017